

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

October 18, 2026

10:30 am

Prelude

Choir Introit

*Call to Worship

Creating God, who brought us into this world, you breathed your Spirit into us and formed us in your likeness.

We give you thanks for the strong cords of love that bind us to you and nourish us in this community you have created.

You are with us and in us. We are reminded that we are not alone on this journey but share in community.

We pray for your continued presence as we practice Sabbath.

**** Hymn: #561 "We Gather Together"***

Prayer of Confession

God, our lives can be so busy. We learned as children to stop, look, and listen before we cross a busy street. You have invited us to cross over into a Sabbath place of rest and trust. This is the one journey that really matters. It is the journey into the place of stillness that is deep within us. We know that to reach that place is to be at home with you and to fail to reach it is to remain stuck in our restlessness. Precious God, take our hands. Guide us and love us, we pray. Amen

***Stand if you are able**

Assurance of Pardon

There are Sabbath ponds: sweet, safe, calm holding places where all kinds of life find refuge. May the waters of our life find refuge in earth's ponds where we know we are loved and accepted and can let the gentle currents wash away the judgement.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri (#623 Hymnal)

Welcome and Announcements

Invitational Music (#42 Hymnal) JLK

Choir Anthem: "God's Peace"

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

* Doxology #625 (Hymnal)

* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 43:1,2,4 John 14:26-31

Sermon: "The Pause That Refreshes"

Sheila Sheer, CLP

****Hymn: # 381 "Open My eyes, That I May See"***

Prayer Requests and Lord's Prayer

****Hymn: #404 "The Solid Rock"***

*Benediction

Choir Response

Postlude

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Transitional Pastor: Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald

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Choir Members: Laura Corbin

Deacons: Jan Gustafson

Session: Kevin Mortensen

Mission Committee: Trish Dudek

Building Committee: Hilde Wray

PNC: Michelle Kahley

(Pastor Nominating Committee)

Sunday School Teacher: Mindy Carls

Prayer Needs:

Jack Martinez,
Allison Collinson,
Julia Martin,
Kirk McKinzie,
Pauline Shroyer,
Sam Waldron.

Interested in Membership? If you are visiting Coal Valley Presbyterian Church today, we are glad to have you as our guest! If you are ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey by joining our church family, please see Dr. McDonald after the service or call the church office. We will let you know about our new member orientation class



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THIS WEEK

Sunday (10-18)	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
Tuesday (10-20)	Hope Circle	9:30 am
Thursday (10-22)	Choir Practice	7:00 pm

PLEASE NOTE:

Worship at Beulah: Next Week, October 25th we will be worshipping at Beulah Presbyterian church. It is their turn to host "Reformation Sunday" celebrations. Worship starts at 10 am. There will be NO service here.

Hope Circle: The Hope Circle Bible Study will meet Tuesday at 9:30 am at Happy Joe's in Coal Valley. They are on Chapter 11 in the book "Living a Purposeful Life". You're welcome to come join us!

Choir: Choir practices will be every Thursday starting promptly at 7 pm. Get your voices ready and come and join us make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Pastor's Hours: Dr. McDonald will be available in the church office on Tuesdays from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** You are welcome to stop in or call during this time.

Baby Shower: You are invited to a baby shower for Brittany Martinez, **TODAY**, October 18th, 12 pm at Lilly & Aster (740 16th Ave East Moline). She is registered at my.babylist.com/bm27. RSVP to 309-781-2291

Happy Birthday: The Deacons would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following people this week:

Allyssa Spoljoric	October 19
Payton Merkel	October 24
Julia Mock	October 28
Clara Crouch	October 30



Online Giving is now available!

